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WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

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Four years ago this July Region 8 was created. During these busy four years the area of the National Forests has been increased from 5,219,000 acres to 8,797,000 acres (the latter figure including 465,000 acres of Resettlement Administration lands), and the receipts from \$359,606 to \$461,307. A large amount of development work has been done on these areas, and of course a good fire control system has been established. Thanks to a great extent to C.C.C. and other emergency measures, the physical improvements on the National Forests have been largely completed, the most important timber stands have been improved through cultural operations, a large planting program has been under way, and most of the timber stands have been estimated. Substantially every piece of land is covered by either a timber management plan or a policy statement, and some progress has been made in rehabilitating residents on National Forest lands.

We might say, in effect, a fine plant has been built and is now ready for operation. In fact, test runs have also been made and they show that the plant can produce a high grade product at prices which can meet competition. In addition the fire insurance policy has been taken out and is paid for so that everything is ready for quantity production.

So one naturally asks, "What are we going to do with this plant?" Is it to be left standing idle awaiting some favorable opportunity, are we to continue to operate it at a fraction of capacity, or are we going full steam ahead,

producing to capacity our products of permanent communities, social security and human happiness? Why not decide to run this factory at capacity as soon as we can get it there? Since the machinery is new we may not be able to speed things up too fast for we still have to take the "bugs" out of some of its parts; but a good deal more than the present speed can be made with the expenditure of a bit more effort.

Well, let's see what's got to be done. First, we're timber growers and we already have on our shelves 90,000 M feet of timber products which were manufactured by Mother Nature in 1937 but not cut. This is last year's growth and as good business men we ought to sell it before the 1938 growth has been manufactured. Our plans tell us that we manufactured 178,000 M feet last year but we were able to cut only 88,000 M feet. Now we can't stay in business without selling our product, nor can we sell any of that permanent community stuff unless we sell timber or something else first. All right, let's put the pipe down, roll up our sleeves and sell something.

Now up there on the Nantahala last year we let a fellow cut his last log, blow his last whistle and go out of business. And his community went with him. Now why, you say, do you do those things when you talk building up communities. Well, he was simply too big, he needed about ten times as much timber as we could supply on a sustained yield basis and he had cut his own, so we just refused to sell him more and he folded up. Sure that threw men out of employment but they would have been jobless in a short time anyway for you can't run an industry without a supply of raw material.

And now that he's out we're building anew, a much smaller industry, the capacity of which is adjusted to the tributary timber handled on a sustained yield basis. Around the new mill will be the permanent community and we must see that it's a decent community and not merely an unsanitary board shack town. Now that's what I call selling National Forest timber as it should be done. It brings those things we've been talking about. It can be repeated again and again on the Region 8 Forests; but these things don't just happen, they must be made to happen. That means first plan what you want, then sell it to someone.

Down on the Sumter we've got some 400 families on Government land--some white, some black. We inherited them with the land. They have no rights there and we could have thrown them off, but where were they to go? Anybody can get the Sheriff to throw off squatters. But is that a constructive way to handle a social problem? We said no on the Sumter. Instead we're patching up the houses for about \$200 apiece, giving these people sanitary wells and outhouses, shifting cultivated lands, terracing where necessary and doing those things which an enlightened landlord would do. In addition,



we're bringing in the County agents, Home Demonstration agents, the Farm Security Administration and others to show these people how to farm and live better and to finance them. And we're not doing it free--they have to pay rent and they're keeping their self respect but they're being given a chance, many for the first time. We plan also to give them some work in order to raise their living standards above mere existence. Now that's selling forest products--better living standards and more security.

On the Chattahoochee in cooperation with the State we planted several hundred thousand fish and streams are now being opened to controlled fishing. On the Pisgah we've been raising deer and having annual hunts. Now these things sell National Forest products--health, sport and recreation.

On the Ocala we developed the Deer Lake Organization Camp which can be used by organizations up to 200 for recreation. The camp not only has buildings but they are furnished with beds, rough furniture, etc. and running water is available. The camp can be rented at very moderate rates for short or long periods. Here then is the sale of another forest product--health and happiness for a lot of youngsters who otherwise might not get out of town for vacations.

These are a few examples of some of the real constructive things going on on the National Forests of the Region. They are the kind of things of which we ought to have more, the kind of things we are hired to do. They mean a great deal more than the building of more roads or houses for ourselves or making sure that each physical improvement is up to standard in every particular. We have been preparing the Forests for a long while for just this thing. The time has now arrived when we can let up on the physical construction program and start more intensive human construction, when we can stop being engineers and start being land managers--or should I say foresters--Yes, foresters in the broadest sense. The stage is set, the opportunity is here. Will we grab it? Or will we become "just another Government Bureau"? The decision is up to you and me.

JOSEPH C. KIRCHER, Regional Forester

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#### ZONE CENTRAL REPAIR SHOP

The system of C.C.C. zone central repair shops for Region 8, worked out by the Division of Engineering and approved by the Director of C.C.C., is fast becoming a reality. The construction of new buildings and the expansion of existing buildings to take care of the anticipated work load of repairing all government-owned equipment operated by all agencies in the Region is being rushed to completion as rapidly as possible, and necessary shop tools and

equipment to outfit the shops have been or are being purchased. Shops which have been approved by the Director are located at Lake City, Florida, Sumter, South Carolina, Asheville, North Carolina, Gainesville, Georgia, Chattanooga, Tennessee, Talladega, Alabama, Forest, Mississippi, Pollock, Louisiana, Lufkin, Texas and Hot Springs, Arkansas. Other shops in the 8th Corps Area are being considered which will possibly include Russellville, Arkansas.

All of the central repair shops, except Talladega and Forest, are now ready to take care of all repair work for their respective zones (the work in Louisiana is being done at Woodworth until the new shop at Pollock is completed), and those shops will be ready early in September.

An average of 40 to 45 enrollees will be employed full time in each of these shops, in addition to from 7 to 10 paid personnel depending on the work load in the particular shop. The enrollees will be selected from all camps irrespective of the agency operating the camp, in order that the Company strength of any one camp will not be seriously affected. Where the main camp is too far from the shop to transport the men back and forth daily a side camp near the shop will be maintained solely for the repair shop.

In selecting enrollees for these shops consideration is given to: (a) the individual's desire to become a high-class if not an expert mechanic, welder, electrician, automobile body and fender repairman and painter, etc., (b) ability and willingness to learn, and (c) desire to give an honest day's work in return for fair compensation plus a chance to learn a trade. Some mechanical knowledge and experience are desirable but not essential.

Enrollees qualifying and selected will be given scientific progressive training in every phase of shop work from sweeping the floor and washing windows to final inspection and tune-up of re-conditioned equipment, including automobiles, trucks, tractors, rock crushers, air compressors, light plants and other types of equipment of various makes and models.

A standard flat-rate cost accounting system has been worked out by the Region and approved by the Washington Office and other agencies after extensive and persistent negotiations. This system provides for a uniform labor charge for each operation in all shops. In other words, the labor charge for a Chevrolet motor overhaul will be the same (\$15.96) in the Lake City Shop as it is in Hot Springs or any other zone shop in the Region.

The Region 8 system has attracted considerable attention from the Washington Office as well as other Regions and has gained very favorable recognition. It now appears that this system will be adopted in other Regions in which conditions are comparable to Region 8.

-- John E. Black, Associate Mechanical  
Engineer

SERVICE PROVIDES FOR ADVANCED TRAINING  
OF PERSONNEL

The Chief has announced plans for the annual transfer of two field men to Washington for a year's training in administration. Each will have the opportunity to secure broadening, in-service training in CAF-7 positions in the Washington Office, one in the Division of Operation and one in the Division of Personnel Management, and in addition to secure academic credit toward an advanced degree in public administration from the American University, credit to be given for official work in addition to a thesis on an administrative problem. This unique undertaking is designed to fit for administrative work personnel selected on the basis of their fundamental qualifications.

Final selections are made by a committee in the Washington Office. Mr. K. D. Flock of Region 1 and Mr. Gordon D. Fox of Region 9 are the successful candidates for the coming year. The selecting committee found itself confronted with a real task in finally deciding among more than forty applicants, many having excellent qualifications and service records. While no selection was made from Region 8 this year, we are looking forward to placing a candidate in one of these positions in another year.

-- Donald E. Clark, Regional Office

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WHAT THE GOVERNOR OF MISSISSIPPI SAID TO THE  
FOREST SERVICE

(The following letter from Governor Hugh White is  
reprinted from the July issue of Miss. Fire News.)

"As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I want to express through this issue of 'Fire News' my appreciation to the men of the United States Forest Service for the remarkable record they have made in controlling fires in Mississippi forests under their jurisdiction.

"This achievement is greater than that measured in the statistics of acreage burned; for even though your statistical record is brilliant, a more important result has been the stimulus your work has given to State and private fire control.

"You have shown Mississippians that forest fires can be curbed by 'a well instructed and trained force following a definite and coordinated plan.' And in showing us that fire destruction can be greatly reduced, you have made us sensible of the value of protecting our forests and conserving our timber wealth.

"The concrete record you have achieved in protecting timber on national forest lands is laudable, but even more laudable from our standpoint is the immeasurable value of your work in teaching us good forest management.



"It is for this reason that we want you to know that Mississippi appreciates what you have done. I am confident that you will find Mississippi even more ready to cooperate with you in your work of the future."

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#### NEW FIRE TRUCKS

Pushing ahead in the field of equipment development and adding to our variety of special fire fighting equipment, such as tractors and plows, tank trucks and tank tractors, the Region has recently purchased two four-wheel drive, cab-over engine trucks for use in fire control.

These powerful units with all wheels driving, with eight speeds forward and two reverse, and with a gross vehicle weight (loaded) of nearly 7 tons (yet rated as one and one-half ton trucks) should prove ideal for transporting large volumes of water to fires in fuel types where water is essential in direct attack.

The trucks have been assigned to Florida and Mississippi for development and testing.

-- F. W. Bennett, Regional Office

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#### BAZEMORE AGAIN HEADS PINE GROUP

George M. Bazemore of Waycross, Georgia, has been re-elected President of the Slash Pine Forestry Association.

Other officers named at the concluding session of the association's convention held at Waycross July 13 included H. A. Sessoms, Cogdell, first vice-president; O. K. Moore, Lake City, second vice-president; George T. Rives, Brunswick, third vice-president; J. S. Elkins, Waycross, secretary, and Miss Jessie Harris, Waycross, treasurer. The executive board includes K. S. Varn, Waresboro; A. V. Kennedy, Waycross; J. A. Pearson, Waycross, and President Bazemore.

Establishment of forests in each Georgia county, named in honor of Dr. Charles H. Herty of Savannah, research chemist, was recommended in the annual report of President Bazemore.

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#### CHATTAHOOCHEE PICNIC

A picnic was enjoyed by the Forest Service personnel on the Chattahoochee on the evening of August 6 in the form of a farewell party for Assistant Supervisor Leavitt and his wife, who are leaving soon for Mississippi. Supervisor Fischer paid tribute to



Leavitt on behalf of the personnel. Following the arrival of the Regional Office's "Treebadours", the remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing and merry-making with Ranger Woody acting as informal master of ceremonies. The Regional Office members attending the party report that a good time was had by all.

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DON'T DESTROY THAT WHICH CAN BE REPAIRED

It has been noted that the field units are, from time to time, submitting Forms 858 or AD-108 for locks, tapes, drafting, surveying and other instruments. Your attention is called to the fact that the Forest Service Supply Depot at Oakland, California, has a shop equipped to make pretty extensive repairs on such items as badges, compasses, locks, etc. (See Vol.1, Forest Service Manual, H5-4), and before an instrument of this nature is condemned and destroyed, it should first be ascertained that it cannot be repaired.

-- G. C. Bell, Regional Office

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THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF A C.C.C. ENROLEE

Eugene Elmo Murray of the Ozark National Forest is one young man who took advantage of every training possibility available to him while in the C.C.C. He joined the Corps in April 1934 with an educational background of incomplete high school course and one term of a night school course in business administration. While in the C.C.C. he not only graduated from high school but found time to take courses in electricity, explosives, and first aid.

In 1936 Murray passed the competitive civil service examination for Jr. Assistant to Technician and was appointed to a position in the Forest Service in March 1937. With the start he had gotten in the C.C.C. Murray has not ceased to study. He is now taking a correspondence course in surveying and mapping and also has been trained by Forest Service personnel in fourteen subjects, including timber cruising, mapping, use of slide rule, the handling and training of other men, etc.

Truly the record of this young man in self-improvement should be an incentive to other C.C.C. enrollees, some of whom are not taking full advantage of the wonderful opportunities afforded them by the Corps.

-- M. W. May, Jr., Regional Office

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## FIRE LAW ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS

A comparison of the fire law enforcement work for the first six months of 1938 with that for the same period a year ago is presented in the table below. The data was taken from the 30-day fire report at the end of the period.

	No.L.E.Cases Initiated		Percent of Total Actionable		Trend 1937-1938	
	1937:1938		1937:1938		No.Cases	Percent
Alabama	25	26	10	10	+ 1	0
Chattahoochee	3	2	21	17	- 1	- 4
Cherokee	23	10	60	20	- 13	- 40
Florida	16	15	40	28	- 1	- 12
Kisatchie	7	39	3	12	+ 32	+ 9
Mississippi	54	43	29	17	- 11	- 12
Nantahala	5	5	20	36	0	+16
Ouachita	32	25	71	62	- 7	- 9
Ozark	16	1	39	7	- 15	- 6
Pisgah-Uharie	14	14	35	34	0	- 1
S.C. & Croatan	6	18	7	12	+12	+ 5
Texas	4	4	2	7	0	+ 5
Region 8 --	205	202	17	16	- 3	- 1

The most gratifying improvement appears in the Kisatchie record which shows an increase over last year of 32 cases which was accomplished in addition to handling some 339 fires during the period. Continued improvement in the number of cases initiated should be a deterrent to those who cause fires and materially improve the fire occurrence record another year on the Kisatchie.

The fact that only three less cases were initiated in the Region this year than last indicates that nowhere has there been a serious let-down in the effort placed on this activity.

-- W. R. Paddock, Regional Office

## FLORIDA FORESTS' NEW RANGER DISTRICT

On July 12, 1938, approximately three hundred thousand acres formerly administered by the Farm Security Administration became a part of the Florida National Forests. This area, which is now the Wakulla District of the Apalachicola, lies in Leon and Wakulla Counties, with the North boundary only a few miles from the supervisor's office in Tallahassee.

Much of the development work has already been done by the former Resettlement Administration. The road construction program is well advanced, and telephone lines, four 100-foot steel towers, a work center, and three guard stations have been constructed.

With exception of a few thousand acres in the Northeast Corner, the new district is generally slash, longleaf flatwoods. Most of the area is in excellent shape for natural restocking and large portions are already covered with dense sapling stands. Practically all of the fields acquired have already been replanted.

Inasmuch as the area practically adjoins the Capital on the North and the Gulf territory on the South, good recreational opportunities are presented. At least one large spring and a "Lost Creek" which flows into the ground are located on acquired land.

Improvement work will be continued temporarily by the Farm Security Administration to Forest Service specifications. Fire control and detection work has been re-organized and plans are being made to begin immediately on timber management.

-- D. J. Morriss, District Ranger,  
Florida National Forests

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## OTHER ADDITIONS AND NEW RANGER DISTRICTS

Other areas transferred from the Farm Security Administration are the Mt. Magazine District on the Ouachita and the Western Alabama and Cornelia additions to the Oakmulgee and Tallullah Districts. The Armuchee Purchase Unit has been established as a ranger district on the Chattahoochee. Recommendations have also been made to adjust district boundaries on the Nantahala Forest, thereby carving the new Tusquitee District out of the Nantahala District, and on the Ouachita to create the new Fourche District out of the northern half of the old Jessieville with small portions of the Cold Springs and Oden. The new Jessieville District takes a slice off the Womble.

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## LOUISIANA FIRST

Louisiana is first among Southern States in amount of direct State appropriation for forestry purposes. At the recent session of the Louisiana legislature \$700,000 was appropriated for the biennium beginning July 1, 1938.

Louisiana is also first among Southern States in amount of direct State appropriation for maintenance of C.C.C. constructed forest protection improvements. The above appropriation includes \$400,000 for maintenance of improvements.

Information from State Forester Sonderegger indicates that the cooperative Clarke-McNary fire control budget for this year will exceed \$400,000.

Other Southern States have made outstanding increases in State appropriations in the past year or two, but Louisiana is "out in front" now.

Congratulations, Louisiana!

-- J.W.K. Holliday, Regional Office

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## RAINS FELL IN TENNESSEE

Engineering reports that a cloudburst occurred along the Tennessee-North Carolina State line on the east edge of the Tellico Ranger District on the morning of August 5 greatly damaging all roads on the north side of Tellico River. A T.V.A. gauge in the vicinity of the cloudburst registered seven inches of rain in about an hour, and the preceding month had been unseasonably rainy. Although no estimate has yet been made for the development roads, the following statement shows the damage done to the Tellico River Forest highway on which work had been completed only five days earlier.

The surfacing was washed away in 15 sections (varying in length from a few hundred feet to a mile each). The shoulder of the road washed away or undercut in as many sections, some of which were 12 to 15 feet above normal water level and in some instances nearly half the roadway is gone. The surfacing will have to be replaced on six miles of road and the banks rebuilt for 3-1/2 miles which, in addition to removing the drift, etc., make the repairs to the highway a large and costly job, estimated \$25,000 to \$30,000.

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## OUACHITA EXHIBIT FEATURES TIMBER SALE BENEFITS

The Ouachita National Forest's participation in the annual Soil Conservation Field Day and Picnic recently held at Center Point school house near Waldron consisted of the display of a large load of logs from our Waldron Lumber Company 7-27-37 Sale in the Rock Island Working Circle. This load contained 2,880 feet BM by the Scribner Decimal C Rule. They were hauled on a new Ford truck furnished by the local Ford dealer. A large James Montgomery Flagg fire prevention poster in a black walnut frame was hung on one side of the load. In addition large show cards were attached showing the relative value this amount of logs would bring Scott County. On this particular load these values were as follows:

Labor	\$35.56
Schools	6.01
Road Fund	2.40
Employer	5.76

Another show card enumerated the protective values of forests to wild life, stream flow, surface run off, soil erosion, etc.

In addition to this load of logs the District had on display three illuminated tinted picture panels showing various scenes on the Ouachita. Approximately 5,000 people attended the Field Day. County Agent Hinkle in his speech commented on the Forest Service's display and emphasized the need for close cooperation in all conservation activities.

-- T. N. Busch, Assistant Supervisor,  
Ouachita National Forest

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## UNOPPOSED CLAIM ???

The Wilma District of the Apalachicola National Forest lays claim to "tops" in lightning fires by virtue of forty-one suppressed in 1937 and twenty-one in the first six and one-half months of 1938. Many puzzling strikes have been noted. The most unusual in the current season was a four and seven-tenths acre fire started by a flash that struck a tree standing twenty-eight feet outside of the burn. Investigation revealed that burning strips of wood had been thrown about a hundred feet from the tree across a woods road which held the flank.

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## OFFICE OF C.C.C. ACTIVITIES ESTABLISHED

The office of C.C.C. Activities has been created as a unit in the Office of the Secretary with a Chief who will have general department-wide responsibility for the administration of C.C.C. programs carried on by the several bureaus. Fred Morrell has been designated Chief of the Office of C.C.C. Activities of the Department and the Secretary's representative on the Advisory Council of the Director of the Civilian Conservation Corps. L. C. Stockdale has been designated Assistant Chief.

-- W. O. Information Digest

### THE TELlico GETS ITS MAN

The Cherokee claims a record for penalties assessed on a single violator of the State Game Laws.

All this summer, Warden Ervin Weiss of the Tellico Wildlife Management Area has been trying to catch one Foster Millsaps, who was suspected of fishing illegally. Weiss spent days and nights, even in pouring rain sometimes, on the trail of his quarry, but Millsaps cleverly managed to elude him until the evening of July 22, when Weiss caught his man in the act of fishing in Sycamore Creek.

The culprit was allowed to enter his home on the plea that he wanted to change his clothes before going to jail. But he went in the front door, out the back, and took to the hills. Weiss and Lookout-man Les Burgess went to Tellico Plains to secure a warrant for the man's arrest. And while they were gone the fugitive reappeared at the warden's home, brandishing and shooting a pistol, with the cry: "Wild Bill's passing through." Mrs. Burgess, who was standing on her porch at the time, narrowly missed being hit by several of the bullets. Mrs. Weiss located her husband by telephone and reported the shooting. Weiss returned accompanied by a deputy sheriff and Millsaps was again taken into custody. In addition to the game law violations he was charged with pistol-toting and discharging a firearm endangering human life.

In Magistrate's Court bond was fixed at \$1250.00 on the two criminal charges. Six charges of game law violations were brought against him. These included catching three rainbow trout, each of which was made a separate case. A fine of \$10.00 each was assessed on these charges plus \$9.00 costs on each charge, or a total of \$114.00.

This arrest and the fines imposed have done an inestimable amount of good in our protection work. Several local citizens have been heard to wonder, "Lord, if they soak a man \$114.00 for catching three little fish, what would they do if he killed a deer".

-- E. W. Renshaw, Cherokee National Forest

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### NEW WOOD PRODUCT

Lenonet looks like a big fishnet put up in 800-yard rolls, 45 inches wide. It is made of rot-resisting paper, spun into a wide mesh. It is designed for use in soil erosion control. When spread out over the soil, each strand of the net forms a miniature dam, arresting the flow of surface water, catching soil particles, holding seed until wild grasses and other cover crops have had a chance to take root. Actually, only a small percentage of the ground is covered by the net, allowing for a full growth of a crop. Experiments indicate it can be made for use in gully control on terraced lawns and fields or slopes intended for reforestation.

-- WHISPERS, Texas National Forests



### REPRESENTATIVE LEAVY EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

Representative Charles H. Leavy of Washington, member of the Agriculture and Interior Department Appropriations Subcommittees, has written the following letter upon completion of his trip from Washington, D. C. to his home in the State of Washington via numerous Forest Service field offices:

"Though it is a little late, I want to still thank you for the splendid arrangements you made for me in my trip across the country to become more familiar with the activities of your great department.

"I was extended every courtesy and consideration by your people on my trip West. I had a fine opportunity to see first hand the situation as it exists in the Appalachian, the Ozark Forest and the Shelterbelt activities, and some of the forests in the northwest region.

"I wish that every member of my sub-committee could have made the same trip."

-- W. O. Information Digest

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### FLORIDA "SECOND-HAND BUSINESS" HITS NEW TOPS

Florida Forests take pleasure in announcing the sale of 403 unserviceable tires and 39 tubes at \$440.25. Likewise, 265 old batteries at \$132.50.

"Waste Not -- Want Not!"

-- Robert L. Parkman, Executive Assistant  
Florida National Forests

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### IN MEMORIAM

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Paul C. Barnes, Tractor Driver on the Toccoa District of the Chattahoochee National Forest died on July 8 of a stomach ailment. He is survived by his wife and two children.

Howard A. Snyder, Ranger of the Unaka District on the Cherokee National Forest died of septic poisoning on July 30. His wife, a son and a daughter survive him.

The Region extends deepest sympathy to these bereaved families.

## PERSONNEL CHANGES

Forest Supervisor Prater succeeds former Supervisor Bishop in Texas, Supervisor Gerrard goes from the Nantahala to the Cherokee, and Assistant Supervisor Melichar of the Mississippi has been promoted as Supervisor of the Nantahala. Assistant Supervisor Leavitt has been transferred from the Chattahoochee to Mississippi.

Junior Foreman Unley V. Thornton has been restored to duty from furlough on the Ouachita; Junior Forester George W. Pettigrew of the Kisatchie has been furloughed; and resignations have been tendered by Principal Clerk Madison L. King in Florida, Abstractor W. Vol Jones on the Ozark, Assistant to Technician James R. Hayden in Florida, and Minor Assistant to Technician Marquez J. Smith in Mississippi.

August and September appear to be not only vacation months but also the time for more permanent changes in scenery for the following personnel:

Ranger Wm. P. Dale from the Jessieville District to the new Mt. Magazine District on the Ouachita; Assistant Forester Wilfred L. Keene from the Ozark to the Jessieville District; and Junior Forester Knut Lunnum from the Cold Springs as District Ranger to the new Fourche District on the Ouachita.

Ranger Joseph T. McCullough from the Ocala to the new Wakulla District in Florida; Ranger John W. Cooper from the Hiwassee District of the Cherokee to the Ocala; and Ranger Richard V. Miles, Jr. from the Nantahala to the Hiwassee.

Junior Forester Cecil E. Clapp from the Alabama Supervisor's office to the enlarged Oakmulgee District; Junior Forester Horace O. Mills to the new Armuchee District on the Chattahoochee; and Junior Forester Harold E. Christen from the Ozark to the Unaka District on the Cherokee - each as the district ranger.

Clyde Hitt from South Carolina to Florida, Wm. B. Wise from the Nantahala to South Carolina, and John E. Hamer from Florida to Nantahala, each as head of the Accounts Section in the supervisor's office; and Victor H. Watts from the Cherokee to the Division of CCC in the regional office.

Junior Foresters David H. Hanaburgh from the Crockett to the Sam Houston, Wm. O. Stewart from the Choctawhatchee to the Osceola, John H. Bennett from South Carolina to the Hiwassee District of the Cherokee, Charles X. Grano from the Hiwassee to Long Cano in South Carolina, Albert E. Mandeville from the Nantahala to the Francis Marion in South Carolina, Omrie W. Hanson from the Francis Marion to the Nantahala District, Spencer H. Palmer from the Mena District of the Ouachita to the Tellico on the Cherokee, and Richard H. Millar from the Tellico to the Mena District; Lewis R. Grosenbaugh and Philip A. Newton from the Ouachita to the supervisor's office on the Ozark, and Lee S. Settel

from the Ozark to the Cold Springs District on the Ouachita; Lester L. Harris from the Unaka District of the Cherokee to the Conecuh in Alabama, Robert F. Irwin from the Watauga on the Cherokee to the Unaka, and Henry G. Posey from the Conecuh to the Watauga.

Junior Civil Engineer Wm. W. Moore from the Chattahoochee to the Division of Engineering in the regional office.

Minor Assistants to Technician Woodrow W. Coman and John F. Beal from the Choctawhatchee to the Osceola, Assistant to Technician Peter W. Chestnolwick from the Southern Forest Experiment Station to the Florida State Forest Service, and Junior Civil Engineering Aide Lewis H. Mielke from the Long Cane to the Enoree.

Junior Forester Wm. P. Everard of Texas is on a three month detail in the Washington office of Information and Education.

Junior Forester John W. Wood goes from the TVA-CCC project to the Appalachian Station under whose direction he will assist Appalachian Forests in special road bank fixation problems. Assistant to Technician Paul R. Goodwin of the Chattahoochee is being restored to duty from furlough to work with the Appalachian Station on fire danger meter development on the Santee Experimental Forest on the Francis Marion.

Recent appointees include Wilma R. Gill, stenographer, and Clem J. Wyers, clerk-typist, on the Ozark; Curt M. Morris, blacksmith, on the Cherokee; and Hugh B. Ward, Peter S. Dalmut, Wiley F. Edwards and Elmer D. Thomas, motor patrol grader operators on the Ouachita.

Under recent flood control legislation passed by Congress the Tallahatchee and Coosa River watersheds in Mississippi and Georgia are to be surveyed with a view toward planning and carrying out a program of action to lessen flood dangers. The Forest Experiment Stations are directing the Forest Service part in the program and cooperating with the Soil Conservation Service and the Bureau of Agricultural Engineering. Junior Foresters Lowell F. Baker and John J. Kerst are being transferred from Mississippi to the Tallahatchee Project. Associate Forester Sam D. Beichler will direct the Forest Service work on the Coosa River, and will be assisted by Ranger Milton M. Bryan, as Assistant Forester, and Junior Foresters John E. Keefus from the TVA-CCC project and Robert D. Williams from Texas. Junior Forester John J. Ennis takes Ranger Bryan's place on the Toccoa District of the Chattahoochee.

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## THE LOOKOUT

Florida's New J.F. -- Name: Frank Augustine Albert, Jr.  
Date of Arrival: July 17, 1938  
Weight: 8-1/2 pounds  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Brown (or else)  
Parents: Supervisor and Mrs. Frank A. Albert  
Latest activity: "Sawing timber" twenty-three  
hours per day.

Our old friend, Donald Brewster, now State Extension Forester of South Carolina, writes that he recently had the pleasure of driving through a part of the Francis Marion National Forest and noted the way the young pines are growing like the proverbial bean stalk. Mr. Brewster says: "When I learned from District Ranger Hanson that he is getting \$9.00 stumpage for second growth pine I decided that the Francis Marion would soon be giving the Arkansas Forests a run for their money on timber sale income."

The July issue of the Journal of Wildlife Management carries an article by Frederick J. Ruff entitled "Trapping Deer on the Pisgah National Game Preserve in North Carolina". Mr. Ruff covers his subject in a comprehensive manner and a number of plates showing details of construction are used to illustrate the article.

Assistant Ranger George K. Schaeffer of the Mt. Mitchell District on the Pisgah will be interested to know that "Spring Obituary" which he submitted for the Dixie Ranger was appropriated by I & E for wider use. It is to be adapted to editorial or other newspaper use and circulated throughout the Region.

We've spread a big WELCOME sign on the doormat for Kenneth Coleman, who is back in the Regional Office after his year at the University of Georgia. Kenneth has the distinction of receiving his A.B. degree with the class graduating on the occasion at which President Roosevelt received his honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the University. Kenneth, we add heartiest congratulations to our greeting of welcome.

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## SHADES OF ROBIN HOOD!

Our Sports Editor has from time to time reported interesting and outstanding achievements of the Region in the realms of golf, tennis and soft ball, but Herbert G. Knoch of the Regional Office brings in the most unique championship of them all. "Heap Big Chief" Knoch went out on August 21 and won for himself a medal and title as "Atlanta City Archer Champion."

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Mildred Moore, Division of S & PF, recently added another M to her name when she became Mrs. Pierce Martin.

THE SOUTH MOURNS LOSS OF DR. HERTY

The recent death of Dr. Charles H. Herty was a tremendous blow to the South and to the cause of conservation. Regional Forester Kircher, on behalf of the U. S. Forest Service, has expressed deep regret on the passing of this noted Georgian.

Dr. Herty was passionately devoted to practical conservation and exerted a far-reaching influence on forest practice in the South. His life work has offered Dixie new industrial opportunities and new wealth in forest development. His sincerity and enthusiasm made him an outstanding contributor to the economical and sociological advancement in the South, and it is gratifying to reflect that he received much honored recognition during his lifetime.

The southern states undoubtedly will greatly profit by the new era which Dr. Herty foresaw and helped to usher in.

